SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA

County of San Diego

DATE: May 22, 2006 DEPT. 71 **REPORTER:**

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HON. RONALD S. PRAGER, JUDGE PRESIDING **REPORTER'S ADDRESS:**

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Judicial Council Coordination Proceeding
Coordination Proceedings Title [Rule 1550(b)]
No. JCCP 4041 TOBACCO CASE

U.S. SMOKELESS TOBACCO

1:30 p.m. This being the time previously set for Telephonic Conference in the above entitled cause Court convenes with Amy Hurst and Michelle Hickerson of the State Attorney General's office and Jose Allen and Douglas Fleming of Skaden Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flow, Robert Fletcher of Nixon Peabody, Ilana Knopf and William Lieblich of National Association of Attorneys General.

Court and counsel discuss proposed amended complaint. The Court directs U.S. Smokeless Tobacco to file and serve its Corrected Second Amended Cross-Complaint by May 24, 2006. The People and NAG to file and serve Demurrers and Points and Authorities to Smokeless Tobacco's cross-complaint.

U.S. Smokeless Tobacco to file and serve opposition to Demurrers by July 14, 2006.

Opposition to be filed by July 14, 2006.

Replies due by August 18, 2006.

The Attorney General's office to lodge a binder with the Court with all filings by the parties in this action to the Demurrers.

Hearing September 7, 2006 at 10:00 a.m., the Court will try to issue its tentative ruling by September 1, 2006.

2:00 p.m. Court is adjourned in this matter.

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2:15 p.m. CLERKS NOTE: The Court directs the clerk to advise all parties that any relevant portions of the Settlement Agreement or Points and Authorities referenced must be highlighted. The Clerk speaks to Attorney Hickerson and she informs the Court that she will notify all parties.